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Greetings Richard,

Please find attached the Science Advisory Board's weekly update for September 27th. I have highlighted new information for you in Green. Chris indicated that at the last briefing, it was agreed we are meeting with you on Monday at 10am. (Please have Kevin contact me if you need me to set up the meeting for Monday, October 2, thank you 202.564.2820)

On Monday, we are looking to you for DECISIONS on CASAC Membership and SAB Membership. We have set up a briefing request in to OGC Monday Afternoon to do our best to request an expedited balance review. Please don't hesitate to call, if you have questions or need additional information. Chris is at the (SAB) CAAC Meeting as you know tomorrow. I'm in. Please call, if we can assist.

Thank you, khanna

HOT ISSUES:

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Public Meeting: SAB CAAC Meeting September 27-28, 2017

The Science Advisory Board (SAB) Chemical Assessment Advisory Committee (CAAC) will be briefed on September 27-28th by EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) on the content and presentation of assessment products to be released at early stages of draft development. These products represent an update to the materials released for the purposes of early stakeholder engagement, as outlined in the "IRIS enhancements" (2013). These materials are expected to add transparency to draft development, while simultaneously increasing throughput and responsiveness to Agency needs

Advice Letters: Final SAB Reports to be transmitted September 29, 2017

The Science Advisory Board will finalize three draft reports by September 29th. The Board completed quality reviews of: (1) EPA's Draft Assessment entitled Toxicological Review of Hexahydro-1,3,5-trinitro-1,3,5-triazine (RDX); (2) Economy-wide Modeling of the Benefits and Costs of Environmental Regulation and (3) 2017 Recommendations for the Agency's Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards. The STAA report will be embargoed until ORD processes and completes award notifications.

UPCOMING MAJOR DECISIONS

Membership: List of Candidates for CASAC posted 8/28/17 for Public Comment – Comment period closed 9/18/17

Key Message: The List of Candidates (names and biosketches of qualified candidates) for CASAC was posted on the CASAC website on August 28, 2017, to allow the public to provide relevant information or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff Office should consider in evaluating candidates during the 21-day public comment period. Public comment closed September 18th. Briefings are being scheduled to provide recommendations based on staff review and FACMD/OGC Balance Reviews. The Administrator will select members after nominations have been evaluated.

Membership: List of Candidates for SAB posted 9/7/17 for Public Comment – Comment period will close 9/28/17

Key Message: On September 7, 2017, the SAB Staff Office posted names and biosketches of interested, qualified candidates on its website, allowing the public an opportunity to provide relevant information or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff Office should consider in evaluating candidates. The 21-day public comment period closes September 28.

Briefings are being scheduled to provide recommendations based on SABSO review, and FACMD/OGC Balance Reviews. The Administrator will select members after nominations have been evaluated.

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Public Meeting: SAB RTR Method Review Panel Teleconference December 5th, 2017.

A Federal Register Notice will be submitted to announce a public teleconference of the SAB RTR Method Review Panel. The purpose of the teleconference (to be held from 11-3pm on December 5, 2017) is to review the draft panel report responding to the Agency's request for SAB Peer Review of the document: "*Screening Methodologies to Support Risk and Technology Reviews (RTR): A Case Study Analysis.*" The effort supports the Agency's ongoing RTR

analyses required under Title I of the CAA. Several specific RTR analyses evaluating residual risks under promulgated NESHAP's are due by court ordered deadlines over the next two years. Briefings will be scheduled.

PAST WEEK ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Public Meeting: CASAC Sulfur Oxides Panel Meeting September 18-19, 2017

The CASAC Sulfur Oxides Panel held a public face-to-face meeting on September 18-19, 2017. The purpose of the meeting was to peer review the EPA's Risk and Exposure Assessment and Policy Assessment to support the Agency's ongoing review of the Primary (health-based) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for Sulfur Oxides. The Panel discussed all assigned charge question highlighting several points of consensus. Members will draft the CASAC report and a follow-up teleconference will be scheduled to discuss the Panel's draft report text. SAB staff will meet the week of September 25 to outline action items to assist with the follow-up.

Membership: List of Candidates for SAB Standing Committees posted 9/18/17 for Public Comment--Comments due 10/9/17

Key Message: On September 18, 2017, the SAB Staff offices posted the names and biosketches of interested, qualified candidates on its website for six SAB Standing Committees: the Chemical Assessment Advisory Committee (CAAC), Environmental Engineering Committee (EEC), Radiation Advisory Committee (RAC), Drinking Water Committee (DWC), Environmental Economics Advisory Committee (EEAC) and Environmental Processes and Effects Committee (EPEC), allowing the public an opportunity to provide relevant information or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff Office should consider in evaluating candidates. The 21-day public comment period closes October 9 . Briefings will be scheduled to provide recommendations based on SABSO review, and FACMD/OGC Balance Reviews. The Administrator will select members after nominations have been evaluated.

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